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In re Application

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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In the Office Action dated July 3, 2003, a shortened period for response was set to expire on October 3, 2003. With the Office Action Response filed November 2, 2003, applicants petitioned for a one month extension of time. Applicants hereby petition for an additional two months extension of time up to January 3, 2003.

The amount of the petition fee for a small entity as set by 37 C.F.R. §1.17 is \$420.00. The petition fee is included with the payment of other papers filed together with this petition.

Respectfully submitted,

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